

# PECAN TIMELINE

| 1500s  | 1600s-1700s  | 1800s   |
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| Native Americans utilized and cultivated wild pecans | Spanish colonists cultivated orchards (late 1600s - early 1700s) | Pecans exported by French to the West Indies (1802) |
|  | English settlers planted pecan trees (1700s)                     | Pecan budding technique discovered (1822)           |
|  | George Washington planted pecan trees (1775)                     | Successful grafting of the pecan tree (1846)        |
|  | Thomas Jefferson planted pecan trees (1779)                      | First planting of improved pecans (1876)            |
|  | Economic potential for pecans realized (late 1700s)              | Commercial propagation of pecans begins (1880s)     |